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1. Isidoro Mendoza, *a close associate of Brigadier General Alberto Ramos, ** is the leader of a group which controls two large caches of arms and ammunition, one of which is on Mindoro Island, and the other in the vicinity of Rosario, La Union, Luzon.
2. Mendoza allegedly has invested ₱50,000 in this venture. The following persons serve as intermediaries between Mendoza and prospective arms buyers:
- (1) Bill Dean, a Chinese or mestizo, who may know the exact location of both caches. Dean, who resides in Manila, can be contacted by telephone on 3-28-67, which is the number of an Escolta office which Mendoza may also use.
 - (2) Mike Ramos, *** believed to be the uncle of Representative Ferdinand Marcos. Ramos formerly associated with Johnny Boucher, an American, who has left the Philippines for the US.
 - (3) Chit Alfonso**** who is not trusted by Mendoza. Alfonso allegedly received ₱10,000 from the Chinese Embassy as a down payment for 4,000,000 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition. This money may be used to pay laborers who are now packing the ammunition.
3. The cache in Mindoro is believed to consist of 10,000 small arms, with an unspecified quantity of small arms ammunition, 15 M-4 Sherman tanks, and an unspecified number of bazookas, all of which is surplus US equipment.
4. The cache in La Union consists of 4,000,000 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition, of which half is still in crates, and half is packed loosely in sacks. This ammunition either was abandoned by US forces in 1945-1946, or was stolen from a US depot prior to the withdrawal of US forces.

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- * Comment. Isidoro Mendoza may be the same person as Isidoro Mendoza y Santos, believed to be the Manila partner of Uy Ting Bing, Batangas City surplus dealer who allegedly has supplied arms from illegally acquired stocks in the Philippines to revolutionary factions at various points in Southeast Asia. Reported on an individual known as Uy Teng Beng who was described as a lumber merchant and head of the

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Kuomintang in Batangas. This report stated that UY, who may be the same person as UY Ting Bing, was involved in an arms deal with the Chinese Nationalists.

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** [REDACTED] Comment. Brigadier General Alberto Ramos, Chief of the Philippine Constabulary (PC), is alleged to have a personal interest in certain arms smuggling enterprises in the Philippines.

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** [REDACTED] Comment. Mike Ramos, also known as Miguel Ramos, reportedly is interested in an arms cache on Mindoro acquired illegally in 1948 from Clark Field, US airfield on Luzon.

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** [REDACTED] Comment. Chit Alfonso, also known as Luis Alfonso, also was believed to be interested in the arms cache on Mindoro. It was reported that he served as sales agent for a shipment of arms illegally acquired by Manuel Villareal and Nick Osmena which may have been shipped to Communist elements in Indochina in April, 1950.

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[REDACTED] Comment. Since this report was prepared, Source has become convinced that the quantities listed are excessive and does not believe that the Chinese Embassy advanced such a sum of money, although it is known that the Embassy is interested in purchasing such material legally.

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